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Biography

Peter Auvinen is the Chair of Miller Thomson. An experienced commercial litigation and insolvency practitioner, Peter was previously the firm's Office Managing Partner for the Toronto, Vaughan and Markham offices. He is a national leader in commercial litigation and insolvency at the firm, and also has expertise in the Nordic region.

Peter practises commercial litigation with a significant focus on creditors' remedies, insolvency litigation, and commercial debt enforcement. He has appeared as counsel in numerous receiverships and CCAA and bankruptcy proceedings, and has litigated a variety of financial services-related issues. Peter has a considerable amount of experience representing trustees, receivers, secured lenders, and equipment lessors, in particular. Peter appears regularly in the Commercial Court in Toronto.

Peter also has considerable experience as a general commercial litigator. He has acted as counsel in a broad range of cases including shareholder, oppression remedy, valuation, breach of contract, sale of goods, employment, and construction disputes. Peter has represented all types of professionals including engineers, architects, real estate brokers and agents, and appraisers. He has extensive trial experience and has appeared as counsel in all levels of courts in Ontario and has also appeared in the Supreme Court of Canada.

Peter is a director of the Canada Finland Chamber of Commerce and is a member of the Finnish American Chamber of Commerce (New York) and the Finnish American Lawyers' Association. Peter travels regularly to the Nordic countries, meeting with clients directly in order to better understand their legal and business needs. He is dedicated to providing personalized legal services to clients from this region. As the leader of the firm's Nordic practice, Peter coordinates the delivery of legal services by Miller Thomson's many specialist areas to ensure that every client receives the targeted legal services they need, efficiently and cost-effectively.

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Corporate directorships

- · Director, Canada Finland Chamber of Commerce
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Professional memberships

- · Canadian Bar Association
- Advocates' Society
- Metropolitan Toronto Lawyers' Association
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Bar admissions & education

- Ontario Bar. 1988
- LL.B., Western University, 1986
- B.A., Western University, 1982

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